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Editorially Speaking

The Christian and His Politics

The Assemblies of God is not a political organization. This is not a political magazine. As editor my chief concern is not politics, but rather the ministry of the gospel of Jesus Christ. However, our backs are not turned on issues of government, especially when the church is involved. In fact we have an obligation to exert our Christian influence in civil affairs.

In this election year, I am not going to state who I feel you should vote for. Nor am I fully prepared to argue strongly on a given side of many of the serious issues at hand this year. But, may I urge you to apply the principles set forth in the Scripture in your thinking as you prepare to go to the poles. Also, let us make it a point to pray earnestly concerning these matters that may so vitally effect us. Surely, God wants to direct our thinking on civil affairs.

To preserve our Christian American heritage let us do some honest research. Many fine publications which offer an enlightened Christian view on these political issues are available. Every effort should be made to hold an intelligent conviction.

One point further. No matter what the outcome of this, or any other election, the church of Jesus Christ will continue on its victorious way. With our Savior as captain there is no political force or government power that will overcome us. The righteousness of God is not that corporal.

Our hope is fixed on a day when He shall reign King of kings and Lord of lords.

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The Cover Picture

District Council, which convened in Santa Cruz from Feb. 29 to March 4 this year, was highlighted by the W.M.C. Penny Parade. First place winner was the North San Joaquin Section, on our cover. Janice Hiemle of Lodi watches as Goldia Anderson presents the award to Mrs. Gene Forrest, Mrs. Leonard Rogers is in the background.



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It is the Lord. John 21:7.

It is a few days after the resurrection. On the shore, a group of seven men are deep in conversation. They are approaching an important decision. The future is so uncertain for, since His crucifixion, their Master seems different. It is true they have seen Him but He is here one moment and gone the next. These practical men do not know where they are. Then there is the pull of the old craft — fishing. This, while not offering such excitement as working with Christ, at least is a steady job.

The debate continues. A fresh, late-afternoon breeze, blows up.

At last, Peter, the born leader, makes up his mind. "I go a fishing," he declares and breaks away from the group. The other six, moved to action, begin to follow him. With unusual speed and some measure of relief they get ready the boat and nets. As dusk falls they are anchored halfway across the lake.

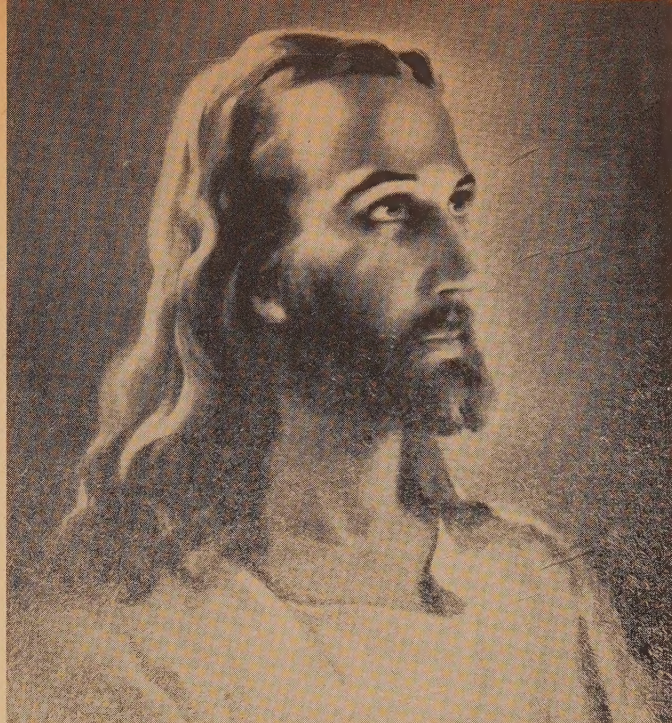
Through the long night they use every known device to net the fish. As the hours slowly wear away it becomes clear that this is not their night. Something is keeping the fish far away from their nets. If they had said "Someone," how right they would have been.

That Someone was, even now, preparing to reveal to His despondent disciples His power and glory — and in a new way. They needed to learn that, although the bodily form they had grown so accustomed to could not always be visible by their side, His presence would truly be with them at all times. They had gone back to their old job without consulting Him and they must be taught that such action means "night" and "nothing." (John 21:3).

At early dawn, in the misty twilight, there stands on the shore one whom they fail to recognize. A voice calls to them across the water asking if they have caught anything.

"No." The answer is revealing, even if it lacks eloquence.

He, who during the long night has kept the fishes from contact with their nets, now withdraws His orders and commands them to enter. But, since more would break the net, He limits the number to one hundred and fifty three. This enumeration was necessary as, doubtless, every fish in the lake would, otherwise, have felt an obligation to obey its Creator. At the same time Jesus shouts to the fishermen: "Cast the net on the right side of the ship and ye shall find."



The Lordship of Jesus

by GEORGE HOLMES

PASTOR, MENLO PARK

The miracle causes John to confide to Peter: "It is the Lord."

The early morning has brought the men an unforgettable lesson from their risen Master: self-chosen activity in God's work will bring disappointment and unfruitfulness; only Christ-directed service will be eternally fruitful. Are we content just to ask God's blessing on our own ambitious programs, competitive plans and rigid organization instead of waiting to learn His way? These often appear less imposing than our own grandiose schemes but they are far more effective.

The risen Christ is *Lord of our service*.

Samuel Medley's satisfying hymn is to the point:

I know that my Redeemer lives,
What joy the blest assurance gives.

He lives, He lives, who once was dead;

He lives, my everlasting Head.

Pulling their full, but unbreaking net to land, the disciples are ready for their next lesson concerning the

Lordship of Jesus. Cold from their long hours on the lake, the Lord has a charcoal fire glowing red, to cheer them. The fragrance of that charcoal was enough to remind at least one of them of a certain recent night in the palace of the High Priest in Jerusalem.

They come in hungry, but He has a meal waiting for them. Irritable, because of the mistake they have made, He comforts them by just being there and allows them the satisfaction of a good haul of "great fishes," extra large ones. What a gracious and understanding Master we have.

"Come and get breakfast." He calls briskly. There is no remonstrance or grief expressed. He will restore their spirits first and give them something to eat.

Their hearty chatter, which is only a cover-up, stops dramatically. Seven pairs of eyes are upon the Master's hands as He takes bread and offers each man one small loaf and a fish. The hands — the bread. The men are back in the Upper Room. The hands

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—the wound marks visible — Calvary — the Cross — the tomb, and now the glory of His presence: a wonderful sequence. He supplies their needs, He understands their thoughts. He will be with them always. He is risen, not only to direct them but to care for them. Of our *supplies*, He is the Lord.

He lives to bless me with His love;

He lives, to plead for me above;

He lives, my hungry soul to feed;

He lives, to help in time of need.

In the afterglow of a divinely-provided meal and a new sense of fellowship, the Master turns to the group leader. Calling him by his old, original name, the Master with the consummate skill of the soul-physician that He is, gently probes a sore spot.

"Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these?" (That penitent has not forgotten his boastful words: "Although all shall be offended, yet will not I.")

"Yea, Lord; Thou knowest that I love Thee." (You know that I am your friend.)

For the second time Jesus asked him: "Do you love Me?"

"Yes Lord, returned Peter, "You know that I am your friend."

Then, with exquisite tenderness, Jesus spoke to him and said: "Simon, - - - are you my friend?"

This last, finely graduated and deeply searching question hurt Peter, as it probed to his heart, but it swept away the blocking failure and allowed the love of God again to surge in.

Three denials and three affirmations were combined with a new threefold commission: "Feed my lambs." "Feed my sheep."

Let us remember, in the glory and excitement of the Resurrection, Jesus is Lord of *our love*.

He lives, all glory to His name;

He lives, my Saviour, still the same;

What joy the blest assurance gives,

I know that my Redeemer lives.

Christ has one further lesson for His class of boys. It is necessary for Him to show them that the duration of their stay on earth will be decided by Him. "When you were young"

He said to Peter, "you used to dress yourself and go where you liked, but when you are an old man, you are going to stretch out your hands and someone else will dress you and take you where you do not want to go."

This, while disturbing Peter at the moment, must have helped him. A few years later, he was in jail. The general impression was that Herod would have him beheaded at Easter. But, as Peter lay in prison on that Easter eve, he was able to sleep, realizing that Christ had said he would live to be an old man: so he knew this was not the end.

However, after this rather startling disclosure, Peter felt, evidently, that Christ was giving too much attention to him and it would be interesting to know about the future demise of some of the others. Observing John, close at hand, he said to Jesus: "Lord, and what shall this man do?"

"If it is My wish" returned Jesus, "for him to stay until I come, is that your business, Peter? You must follow Me."

So, there is the full lesson: the time and method of a disciple's departure is in the hands of the Lord. If it be death, by natural causes or through martyrdom, it can "glorify God." If it be by translation at the coming of Christ, that also is a matter for the will of God. Whatever may be the difference in the time or the method, the destination will be the same: "to be with Christ, which is far better." The risen Christ is Lord of our *departure*.

He lives, and grants me daily breath;

He lives, and I shall conquer death;

He lives, my mansion to prepare;

He lives, to lead me safely there.

The unshakable determination of God to make Christ Lord of all is demonstrated by His glorious resurrection from the dead. He lives to direct our service: let us do what He says.

He lives to receive our love: may we love Him with heart, soul, mind and strength.

He lives to receive us into the everlasting habitations: may we follow Him until the call comes.

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The older I grow, the more I find
That the happiest children are those
who mind,
Who know that some one cares for
their good
Enough to make them do as they
should.

And we, the adopted children of God,
Can rejoice if the Lord spares not
the rod,
But leads with a firm directive hand
The way that He in His wisdom,
planned!

—Martha Snell Nicholson.

Under a banner which bore the theme "A Mighty Fortress is Our God," the 42nd Annual District Council of the Northern California-Nevada Assemblies of God met from February 29 to March 4 in the Santa Cruz Civic Auditorium.

From the opening meeting it was apparent that the blessing of God rested upon the convention. A spirit of good fellowship and unity in the cause of the gospel marked the council.

In the 42 year history of the Council this was the first time it had been conducted in Santa Cruz. This offered many conventioners an opportunity to visit the District office and Bethany Bible College at near by Bethany Park.

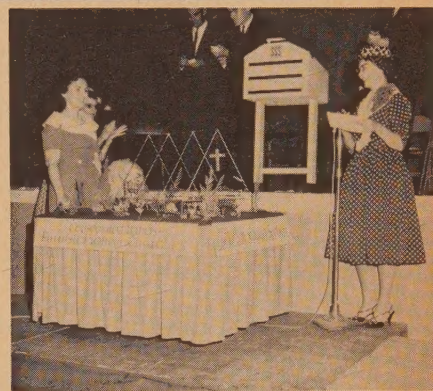
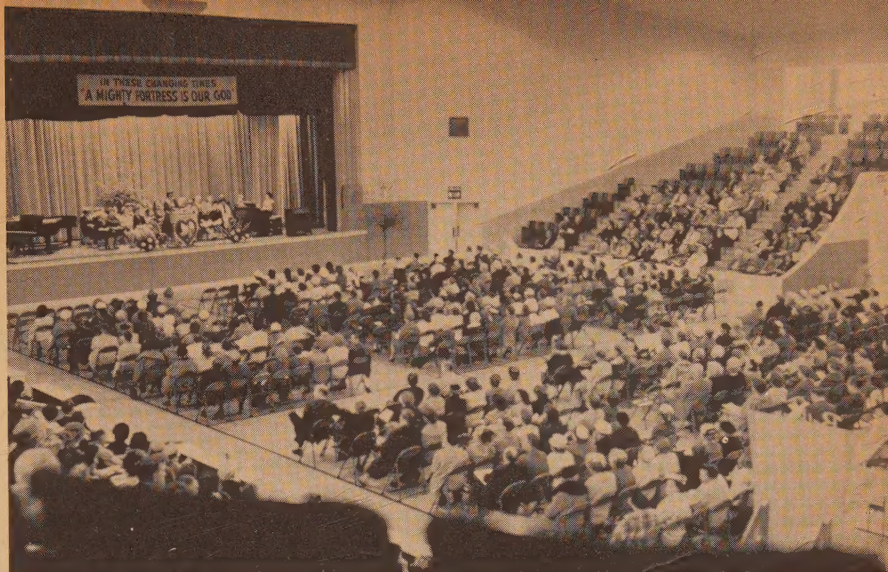
The opening meeting was a C.A. rally which was held on Monday evening in the First Assembly of God. Addressing a standing room only crowd, convention speaker Thomas F. Zimmerman brought his message which was directed to young people. At the conclusion the altars were filled with many C.A.s.

The convention was officially opened the next morning at the Civic Auditorium. The morning and afternoon services were designated for W.M.C. activity. Under the direction of Mrs. Goldia Anderson, the annual devotional was conducted in the morning with Mrs. Floyd Woodworth's message bringing a challenge to the crowd of more than 1000 women. In the afternoon the very colorful penny parade was held. Women from 15 sections were present to compete in the floats and bring the pennies they had saved during the year. A total of \$5126.53 was given.

First place winners were North San Joaquin Section. "Your Hands Are God's Hands" was the theme of their float. Construction of the display was under the direction of Mrs. Gene Forrest of Lodi, sectional director.

Second place honors went to the East Bay Section where Mrs. Oliver Foth of Oakland is director. This group also distinguished themselves by giving the largest amount in pennies, \$1435.41. The Central Section where Mrs. Gordon Swanson is direct-

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(Above) Scene of the crowd which met for the four-day convention. (Center, left) Second place winner in the W.M.C. Penny Parade. This is the float of the East Bay Section where Mrs. Oliver Foth, extreme left, is director. The winning float of the parade is pictured on the cover. (Center, right) The ladies of the Central San Joaquin Section where Mrs. Gordon Swanson is director, won third place honors. (Lower, left) Rev. Thomas F. Zimmerman presents a beautiful set of luggage to Superintendent Joseph L. Gerhart for the Northern California-Nevada District having the largest increase in the number of churches giving to Revivaltime in 1959. (Lower, right) This photo shows both the Bethany Bible College choir and the childrens choir organized by the District Sunday School Department.

for the remainder of the annual business. The convention was officially closed on a note of victory and praise.

Rev. Raymond P. Murray, convention chairman, was responsible for

many of the details and planning. A vote of appreciation was extended to him for his fine work. The sacrificial labor of the many committee members was also recognized by the Council.

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The business session was called to order by Joseph L. Gerhart, district superintendent, at 2:30. The major part of the afternoon was taken with the reading of the Superintendent's, Assistant Superintendent's and Secretary-Treasurer's reports.

With the convention hall filled to near capacity, the Tuesday evening rally convened with emphasis on world missions. Missionaries from seven countries were introduced. General Superintendent Thomas F. Zimmerman stressed in his message the need of individual dedication to world missions. Brother Zimmerman had just recently returned from a tour of the African continent.

The business session reconvened the next day, Wednesday, at 10:40 a. m. Reports were read by the heads of several of the departments and the election of non-resident executive officers was begun.

In the afternoon more reports were given and it was announced that Leland R. Keys and Robert Carrington had been elected to serve two years as executive officers and Paul Trulin and T. Kermit Jeffrey had been elected for one year.

The evening rally, which was broadcast on local radio, placed emphasis on Bethany Bible College and the District Sunday School Department. A musical program was offered by the College choir and a childrens choir of some 150 voices represented the Sunday School Department.

On Thursday morning in the business session Jack R. Edgar and Leonard Palmer were selected to the positions of General Presbyters. Other matters of district importance were dealt with which included the re-election of David C. Colbert to the position of Sunday School Director on the nominating ballot.

The annual ordination service was held in conjunction with the evening rally. Twenty-five men were consecrated to the work of the gospel. This, the final evangelistic service of the convention, was especially blessed as Brother Zimmerman preached his concluding message.

Friday morning the council met

Superintendent

Delivered at the 42nd Annual Santa Cruz, Ca

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD!" These words are from the great hymn written by Martin Luther which became known as the National Hymn of the Reformation. Luther penned these words during a very stormy period in his life and in the life of the Church of Jesus Christ. Known as the father of congregational singing, he gave vent to his innermost security when he expressed himself and his faith — "A Mighty Fortress is Our God; a bulwark never failing!; Our Helper — amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing!"

It is for "such a time as this" that our Convention Committee has chosen for our Convention Theme, "A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD." We are all fully cognizant of the storm of mental, physical and spiritual ills which is blowing over the entire world leaving its mark in the distress of nations, personal insecurities and frustrations of the bulk of the world populace. We might ask how is the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ weathering this storm?

Herein lies the challenge, the responsibility and the duty of every born-again child of God! *Our Mission* — to present a Mighty God, a Loving God, a Saving God; a God, who through His only begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ has provided a bulwark, a fortress and a strong tower for the safety of all who will believe in Him. The MIGHTY GOD, who has not promised that His child shall escape all of the ills and troubles of the world about him but the One Who is able to save, mighty to deliver and Who will eventually bring us before the Throne on that Great Day, victorious over all the assaults of the wicked one, Satan himself.

Assembled before me today is a multitude of believers who are representative of all those who bear the name of Christ as Saviour. We have a *Message* — "For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake." Time is running out! Too many

pages are torn from the calendar, and too much sand has poured through the hourglass. We cannot spend our time standing in the streets, beating our drums of self-interest, personal opinion, or of minor issues of faddist thinking.

We have a Pentecostal message to *believe* and *live* and *preach* which will bring a sin-delivering, disease-destroying, devil-defeating, soul-saving revival which will route out the wretchedness and despair of the human soul and bring Christ, the Great Physician to the sick world with healing for the entire man — His body, soul and spirit! Our message goes out and beyond all human ability which may be exercised by the combination of the world's greatest intellects; our message reaches out and embraces the Divine Hand of a Living God who brings HOPE for the Poor, Healing for the Broken-hearted, Deliverance and Freedom to the Captives, the Recovering of Sight to the Blind and sets at Liberty those which are Bound!

It is possible for us to isolate ourselves on an island of despair if we confine our thinking to and fix our gaze upon the problems, burdens and distresses which afflict men and women all about us. When we consider the multiplicity of problems, heartaches, disappointments and troubles which come to the District Office for consideration over a period of weeks, we may be tempted to feel that Faith is dead and God is no longer on the Throne. But, THANK GOD, this is not true! We know that there is still "Power for God's Purpose," "God is still on the Throne," and A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD — a bulwark NEVER FAILING!"

There is victory in our hearts and confident assurance that God is leading on! His banner is still waving over us and His Army is on the March! For we walk not by sight but by faith in the King of Kings, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace!

The work of the ministry is most solemn and important. If the office

be great, so the responsibilities are momentous. How desirable, then for all of us who are set apart in the solemn and holy calling of the ministry, to be rightly furnished for this holy calling and so to adorn it that we may make full proof of our ministry.

We believe in a God-called ministry which is not for self-seeking men who would manage their calling as secular business, but rather for those who labor for the spiritual welfare and well-being of all, without *fear*, *favor* or *prejudice*. So, we as your District leaders, regard ourselves as the servants of the District for Christ's sake, and not as lords over God's heritage. We will wait upon and minister to the spiritual needs of the District, our primary motivating force being His love and power.

One of the greatest joys afforded me during the past year has been the privilege of working very closely with our able Assistant Superintendent, Brother R. A. Wilson and our newly-elected Secretary-Treasurer, Brother Jack R. Edgar. I can report that there has been an ever increasing bond of fellowship between us which has brought us together in heart and purpose. I don't know how there could have been a happier or more rewarding relationship between your three District Officers.

During the past year, we have established a "Prayer Break" in the District Office. Each morning at 10 o'clock all of the officers, staff and visitors in the office take time out to meet together for a period of devotions. During this time we remember the many prayer requests which come to our desks each day and also mention by name a number of our ministers and workers. The slogan, "The family that prays together stays together," might well be applied to our District Office family as we have been drawn together in the love of Christ through this prayer time and have shared the burdens and personal sorrows of many of you, our dear friends. How happy we are when you write us reporting the faithfulness of our God in bringing deliverance and help through our united prayers.

It is a pleasant privilege to report to you something of the success of our Brother Wilson in his duties as Assistant Superin-

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tendent and Chairman of our World Missions program. He will tell you much concerning the work of his department when he gives his report. You will rejoice to know here, however, that once again our District has broken our previous record in Foreign Missions giving. Our Home Missions Department, under the careful supervision of Brother Wilson and his Committee, has firmed up their program to a place of consistent progress and growth. The "new look" in Home Missions is a challenge to all of us to assist in our goal to make an Assembly of God available to every person in our District — insofar as it is possible. We must, however, establish our new churches on a good foundation with proper relationships to the Council.

The performance of our District Secretary-Treasurer, Brother Jack Edgar, in his new area of responsibility has been very fine, and he deserves our sincere commendation. The District Council is a healthy, growing concern — both spiritually and physically. We cannot close our eyes to the fact that we are not only a spiritual organization concerned with the matters of the eternal soul but are also a business corporation which must, of necessity, be concerned with matters of finance and physical assets. We are glad for a man of God, who can direct the affairs of the office of Secretary-Treasurer so well and with the assistance of consecrated, efficient office employees, keep the records in good shape and handle the finances of the District in a business like manner.

Each of us, individually, can contribute much to the success of our financial affairs as we continue to be loyal and faithful in our personal giving. The local churches, too, share in this financial responsibility, and we sincerely commend them for their vision of the District needs. In this respect, we hold our future in our own hands. As we give and support the program of the District, the many ministries of our various departments will continue to become more effective and more far-reaching.

Your Non-Resident Executive Committee-men have met with us almost every month during the past year. Although there are many problems and some rather distressing situations which come before the committee for discussion and consideration, we believe God has given His wisdom in all of these matters as each of the committeemen has sincerely sought the guidance of the Holy Spirit. There have been decisions made by the committee which have brought

personal disappointment to some of our brethren. Let us assure you that the work of the committee has been handled with an eye to fairness and equality to all persons and churches concerned. They have endeavored to deal without *prejudice* or *partiality*. Where there has been disappointment brought to any individual or church, we can truly say, "We are sorry." We wish it were possible to arrive at decisions which would make everyone concerned happy. We ask you to be understanding and sympathetic with the committee and to uphold all of us in prayer, especially when it is necessary for us to deal with matters of discipline and correction. Your Executive Committee is deserving of your sincere appreciation and moral support. It has been a privilege for me, as your Superintendent, to work with these good men. A bond of comradeship has developed as we have shared the burdens and responsibilities of the committee work placed upon us.

I would like to here express my appreciation to the fine men of God who have labored so faithfully on the District Presbytery. At each of our meetings, we have felt the Divine Hand of God upon us as we have blended our hearts and minds together to do the work before us. The men of the Presbytery have done an outstanding service to the entire District not only in the combined work of the Presbytery but also in the individual Sections which they have served. The good fellowship among the Presbyters is most commendable. These men work long hours when in session without any remuneration whatsoever except for their actual expenses incurred in the line of duty.

We have a large number of committees now functioning in various capacities in our District program. They are well-staffed with worthy members. We have been well impressed with the faithful attendance of committeemen at meetings called and with their attention to duties which has enabled them to make really worthwhile and valuable contributions to the area of responsibility in which they have served.

This year we have started calling a monthly meeting of our Department Heads at the District Office. This has been a most profitable investment of time and effort as we have prayed together, discussed and coordinated our planning. A "team spirit" has developed and a sincere interest in each other's problems has been shown. We have observed these leaders under many and

varied circumstances and can witness to the fact that they are surely select and choice ministers of our Lord. They are —

Walt Boring and the Christ's Ambassadors Department, Goldia Anderson with the work of the Women's Mission Council, Dave Colbert and the Sunday School department, George Effman, who desires that we all become "Indian givers," and his colorful American Indian Fellowship, and last but not least, our youngest District Department under the leadership of Walter Hanson, the Men's Fellowship.

Although Glad Tidings Magazine is not a Department of the District, I want to recognize right here the yeoman service rendered by our able editor, Melvin Johnson — affectionately known to all of us as "Bud." Wherever I go I hear only good reports about the layout and contents of this, our official District organ. The one complaint I have heard is that the paper is often late in publication. Just a word of explanation is in order here. Due to the fact that our local printer has been giving us a monthly rate far below the going rate quoted by other printers for such a publication, we have often been shuffled off the main track in deference to more lucrative jobs for the printer. Since we are receiving the 'cut rate' price, we have not been in a position to make strenuous demands even though we have tried. If we were financially able to pay the market price for our work, we could make our demands and be assured of more prompt service. A recent promise from this good printer, however, encourages us to believe that conditions will improve. We shall see.

I would be amiss if I failed to express my gratitude to God for giving us Dr. C. C. Burnett to fill the vacancy by the resignation of our dearly beloved Brother L. R. Keys as President of Bethany Bible College. The report you will hear from him on Thursday morning during our BBC Corporation meeting will be of much interest to each of you and will reveal good progress at Bethany.

As all of you can fully appreciate, we District Officers would be completely incapable of performing our duties if it were not for the very fine office employees who assist us in the various clerical, secretarial and bookkeeping jobs of the office. We are grateful for our staff, for their loyalty to God and to their duties. We sincerely believe this is a ministry and is acceptable as such in the eyes of the Lord.

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Revival in Colombia

by LETICIA TOLOSA

Translated by Everett A. Wilson

This is the testimony of Leticia Tolosa, second year student at Bethany Bible College, from Colombia South America. Miss Tolosa assisted in the recent evangelistic campaign of Eugenio Jimenez in Bogota. She returned from Colombia with pictures and this thrilling report.

During the last few months I have been privileged to witness firsthand, a mighty moving of God in my homeland. This has brought a harvest of souls to Colombia after eleven years of bitter suffering and persecution.

The Lord began to prepare my heart for His outpouring when, in 1955, I attended one of the first services conducted by our Assemblies of God missionaries, Harry and Martha Bartel, in Bogota, the capital of Colombia. As the Lord moved I came to understand that He was unfolding a plan for my life and before long I felt called to dedicate myself for missionary service. This was especially difficult because I knew it would mean living a life of faith, trusting the Lord to supply my needs from day to day. How impossible! I had always worked to support myself and was reluctant to leave my job in a comfortably furnished office with the security it gave in order to labor in missionary work without having assurance of regular support. I tried to believe that I could be of greatest service to the Lord by giving my offerings to support His work. But still God's call persisted until in 1958, when the Lord opened the doors for me to come to the United States to attend Bethany Bible College. I knew that I would have to choose between

my plans to accept a better paying job in the neighboring country of Venezuela and the call to prepare myself at Bethany.

The way in which the Lord provided for my fare proved the miracle of His power to supply my needs and the certainty of His calling. One month later I found myself in the United States, convinced of His leading, but without knowing anyone and without any money or knowledge of the language. However, from the time of my arrival the Lord began to fulfill His promises, and soon I had found new friends, had my needs supplied and the Lord has enabled me to learn English well enough to attend school. This was but the beginning of many demonstrations of His power.

The reward of many years of labor and intercession began to be realized in Colombia in August of 1959 when word came that meetings conducted by two Puerto Rican brothers from New York City had been blessed by God. In October the Lord led someone to supply my passage to return to Colombia to take part in a campaign planned for Bogota, the first time that the gospel had been publicly preached in this manner in the nation's history. In the meetings which lasted from October 26 to November 26 the Lord revealed His power to save. Upwards of 7,000 expressed their hunger for salvation. At the peak of the campaign an estimated 10,000 packed into the seatless exposition building. They stood from four to five hours to hear the gospel preached and to watch prayer for the sick. As we saw the hunger of people of all ages and descriptions we

did our best to counsel and direct them, but the workers were too few and the time too short. When announcement was made that the campaign must close due to the inability of the missionaries to bare the entire financial load, letters containing offerings which obviously the people could not afford to give, flooded our office asking that the meetings continue. I can hardly believe that this took place in Colombia, for there believers have long been persecuted and denied freedom of worship. Since 1948 there have been at least 124 martyrs for the cause of the gospel; 88 churches have been burned and 15,600 believers have been driven from their homes or jailed because of their consecration to Christ.

I thank the Lord for His faithfulness to me and for the opportunity He gave me to assist in the harvest of souls in Colombia. The work continues under the direction of national workers and our missionaries. Please pray with us that God will give them courage and protection in order that the gospel in Colombia may continue to spread.

Two Ministers Receive C.E.P. Appointments

According to an announcement made by Rev. E. Wm. Anderson, District Church Extension Plan representative, Rev. E. Jaramillo, educational director of the Latin American District Council of the Assemblies of God, has been appointed to the post of C.E.P. Representative.

Rev. Jaramillo's territory includes the entire state of California. He will be working among the Spanish Assemblies. As time affords he will travel throughout the Western States assisting these churches in this financial program.

Those interested may reach Brother Jaramillo at the following address: The District Office, 1519 Los Tomas Drive N. W., Albuquerque, N. M.

Rev. Jose Giron, district superintendent, Latin American Assemblies, will assist as a part-time representative.

DISTRICT TOP REVIVALTIME GIVERS THIS MONTH

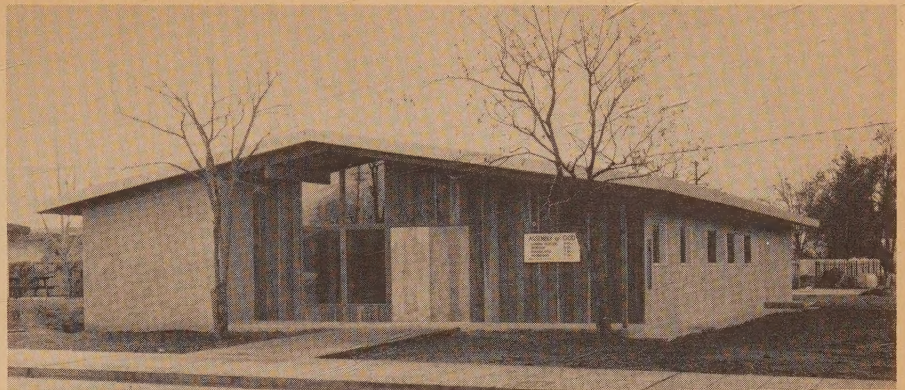
Modesto, Bethel	\$536.31
Lodi	81.78
Las Vegas, Trin.	66.00
Sunnyvale, 1st	40.00

Livermore Dedicates New Building

The Livermore Assembly of God dedicated its new building on February 7 and 8. Pastor and Mrs. John F. Green and the congregation moved into the beautiful new church last November 1.

The structure contains a lovely sanctuary and adequate Sunday school facilities. It is located in an ideal growing area of the community. The Greens have worked faithfully under the sponsorship of the Church Extension Fellowship to develop this fine work. Construction was begun in June of 1959.

On Sunday, February 7, Rev. Ruben A. Wilson, assistant superintendent, and Jack R. Edgar, secretary-treasurer were guest speakers. In the afternoon meeting slides and a history of the church were offered.



Livermore Assembly of God

Rev. Joseph L. Gerhart, superintendent, delivered the dedicatory message on Monday evening. Music was provided by Rev. and Mrs. For-

rest Beiser and the Bethany Bible College quartet.

The church was organized in February 1957.

Tri-Church Missions Meeting Planned

A tri-church missions convention with Glad Tidings Temple and Community Assembly of God in San Francisco and First Assembly of God in South San Francisco is scheduled for April 24 through May 1.

With the theme MISSIONS IN ORBIT, the three churches will simultaneously conduct meetings using the same missionary personnel. A pre-convention rally will start the activity in each church on the evening of April 24. Then the convention itself will start the 27. Pastor Floyd Thomas of Glad Tidings Temple announces that he and both the other pastors, Robert Cavallini of Community Assembly of God and Carl Curtright of First Assembly of God, expect the convention to be filled with color and real missionary enthusiasm.

A notable list of both veteran and new missionaries is to participate. They are Charles Greenaway of Senegal, Africa, John McPherson, evangelist to the American Indians, the LeLand Goods, newly appointed to Bolivia, South America, and Robert Renfroes of Liberia, Africa, the Maurice Luces of the Samoan Islands and the Fredolf Sondenos of Japan.

The convention will be marked with all the color of foreign missions. Mission booths are being prepared to portray the needs of the various fields. Many costumes will be shown as well as other items of interest from the fields.

An International Smorgasbord will
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Eight Bay Area Churches in Convention

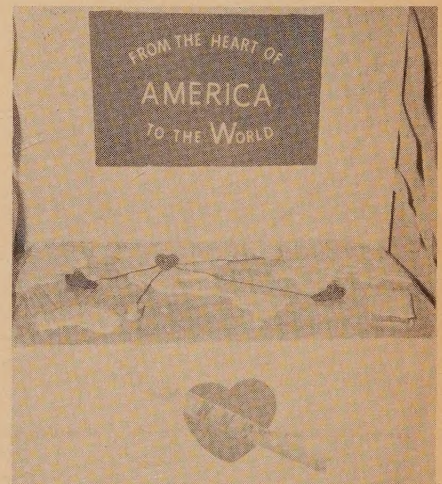
Eight Bay Area churches joined forces from March 6 to 14 for a great co-operative missionary convention. Twenty-four missionaries participated in this untied effort which proved so helpful to all the churches.

The simultaneous meetings were held in the following churches: Full Gospel Temple in Richmond, Castro Valley, Benecia, Fairfield, Napa, Vallejo, Hayward and El Cerrito.

The meetings were highlighted with native costumes, films and many heart searching missionary messages. The challenge of 12 different mission fields was presented to each church during the seven day convention. The Hal Lehman, Lydia Graner, Elva Vanderbout, George Effman, John MacPherson, the Walter Ericksons, the Maurice Luces, Elsie Isensee, the H. Carlbloms, the Paul Greisens, the Ralph Williams, Inez Kreiss, the Robert Renfroes, the Gottschalks and the Nelsons composed the convention

missionary team.

One of the outstanding features was the Samoan Choir from San Francisco. Their singing brought inspiration and lended a true missions touch to the services.



W.M.C. had a Part



Samoan Choir.

New England Superintendent Gets 100 Glad Tidings

Rev. Grady L. Fannin, superintendent of the New England District Council of The Assemblies of God, read the article *Genuine Spirituality* by Martin H. Heicksen in the February issue of Glad Tidings Magazine. He responded by writing a letter of appreciation and then added, "It is such a splendid presentation of true spirituality I would like to get it into the hands of every pastor in my District."

He enclosed an order for 100 copies which were gladly sent.

Perhaps you could pass your February Glad Tidings Magazine on to someone who would enjoy this heart searching article.

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Rev. and Mrs. Gene Ness — Tami
Rae, Feb. 24.

Pastor and Mrs. Ken Roper have a
son — Steven Keith, Jan. 19.

Pastor and Mrs. Verlyn Skore,
Michele Rena, Feb. 7.

Tri-Church Missions Meeting

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be held at Glad Tidings Temple at
6:30 on April 30. The young people
will be dressed in native costumes.

For further details contact one of
the pastors of the three participating
churches.

See You at

Bethany Fair

May 7th



Bethany Bible College presents
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the life, people and purpose of the
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9:30 — Diploma in a day
10:30 — Drama presentation
11:00 — Spot time
11:30 — Chapel
12:30 — Dinner
2:00 — Seaside picnic
4:30 — Wiener roast
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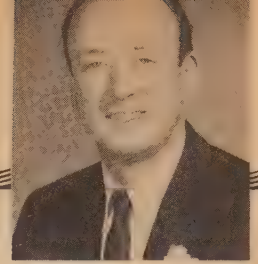


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Men's Fellowship



WALT HANSON, President



HAROLD GILMER
Coast Counties Section

Know Your Sectional Directors

**This is a series to acquaint
you with the leaders in M. F.**

Sectional director of the Coast Counties Section is Harold Gilmer, a resident of Salinas. Harold served for two years in the U.S. Navy in the South Pacific during World War II. Upon being discharged, he decided to reside in Salinas. He is a family man with two children, ages seven and four. As electrical foreman he meets many different types of men and is able to witness for the Lord.

Harold made his decision for the Lord in 1949 at the Alisal Assembly during the pastorate of Rev. Louis Weston. Since his conversion he has served in many capacities and has been a real boon to the Assembly. Among his many services have been; serving on the deacon board, Sunday school superintendent, Christ's Ambassador president, secretary-treasurer and, since its inception in 1954,

Men's Fellowship president.

He was appointed sectional director in August, 1958, the first to fill such position in this Section. At the time he was appointed to this position there were only two chartered groups: Alisal Assembly of God, Salinas, and First Assembly of God, Santa Cruz. During the year and a half that he has been sectional director there have been five groups chartered; Gilroy, Glad Tidings Assembly; Full Gospel Church of Pajaro; Full Gospel Church of Los Lomas; Assembly of God Tabernacle, Hollister; Calvary Assembly, Salinas.

Two sectional rallies are conducted annually with cooperation from the seven local groups, and many from churches that have no chartered group. As well, the Coast Counties Section co-operates in all District wide rallies.

Harold has one primary interest and that is Men's Fellowship activities and winning other men to the Lord.

The Sleeping Giant of Pentecost

CONTINUED from last month —

Let us begin to believe in ourselves and in God's program for men! Let yourself get excited! Please don't save your enthusiasm for a special time when you think it might be effective. Use it all the time! Turn it on! Listen to the sound of your own voice! Do YOU sound convincing? Does anybody listen to your story? Are you yourself sold? You must know that enthusiasm comes from the inside out. This kind of enthusiasm is the quality a child has at Christmas. He's excited — he believes in it — he's interested — he's alive — he's just simply enthusiastic! All of us, as men, must be consumed with the great possibility of men's fellowship if we are to succeed in God's program!

Envision with me, if you dare, every church in your section with a real live-wire, on fire, dedicated men's

fellowship. Every pastor in your section sold on the importance and value of men's fellowship. Envision with me if you can, every man in every church witnessing to and winning men!

The great Ty Cobb once turned a base-on-balls into a home run. But another player hit a real homer only to be thrown out at third base, so we are told. What made the difference, between the champ and the chump? Between this success and this failure? Branch Rickey, famous baseball talent developer tells us, "It is my job to bring men to their best — to help make ability and capacity meet." Let God, the greatest developer-creator of men the world has ever seen, bring you to your best! Let God help make your ability and capacity meet! If men on this earth can be trained and because of their love for sport and

their training in that sport become proficient in their field, is it too much to allow your life and mind and body to be placed in God's hands and feel yourself being made into the best kind of man that capacity and ability can muster? Every one of you has abilities that have made you what you are in the natural. I only plead that you allow Christ and God to cause your abilities and capacities to meet — to cause you to catch fire — to allow yourself to explode in an avalanche of blessing in the great work of MEN'S FELLOWSHIP.

Allow yourself to catch the ENTHUSIASM of this great potential working force of men. MEN winning other MEN!

Let's begin something, under God, that won't quit until Jesus comes again! Every man in our churches saved, set on fire, and witnessing to and winning other MEN!

Every Man Win A Man In 1960!



News from Our Churches --

ATWATER --

Pastor Otto Schmidt reports a week of children's meetings with the Virgil Warrens. Altars were lined with children seeking God. Evangelist Gene Hayes recently held a meeting. Souls were saved and believers received the Holy Spirit.

BERKELEY --

First Assembly enjoyed the ministry of Evangelist Silas Jones in January. Souls were saved, some baptised in the Holy Spirit, others refilled and sick healed. People are still testifying to blessings received during the meeting. Eleanor Johnson is pastor.

BRENTWOOD --

Pastor Grover Pollard of Brentwood reports a revival with Evangelist Fred Kirkwood. Thirty-one families were present on family night. The Sunday school has grown from 24, July 24 to 123. Seven received the Holy Spirit.

CAMPBELL --

Guest speakers Feb. 28 were the Henry Marins, missionaries to Italy. Campbell co-operated with San Jose churches in a Worker's Training Course taught by Dr. James Rider of Bethany Bible College. Herbert Johnson is pastor.

CARMICHAEL --

Pastor L. W. Suter recently shared his pulpit with guest speakers Lemuel Utu from Samoa and Evangelist Hosier.

CUPERTINO --

An installation service for Pastor Houston (Rusty) Baker on Jan. 31 was conducted by Assistant Superintendent R. A. Wilson. Paul Demetrus, radio missionary-evangelist spoke recently. Evangelist Everett Stenhouse held a meeting in February. Ten new members have been added to the church.

EL CERRITO --

Assembly of God Tabernacle enjoyed the ministry of Bert Dixon for their Worker's Training Course on "The Ministry of Visitation." Twenty three certificates were issued. Evangelist Stenhouse held a youth revival in February. Verlyn M. Skore is pastor and Archie W. Phelps associate.

GUERNEVILLE --

Pastor George W. Hunter reports that the Robert Florence Family of Novato ministered in music Feb. 28.

HAYWARD --

Bethel Assembly participated in the Global Conquest Missionary Convention Mar. 6-14. James Swanson is pastor.

HOOPA --

Pastor Omar M. Goins reports special meetings with Evangelist Bert and Ada Dixon early in March.

LAS VEGAS, NEV. --

Trinity Assembly heard Ralph M. Riggs, former general superintendent on Feb. 28. The pastor is Wilbur Wacker.

LINCOLN --

A revival meeting recently was conducted by Evangelist and Mrs. G. A. Snavely of Springfield, Mo. The Sunday school was 190, the largest since fall. The church is in a building program. An educational building with seven classrooms, a kitchen and multi-purpose room with fireplace is to be ready March 27. Carl Oney became pastor last August.

MODESTO --

Bethel Church heard Fredolf Sonden Feb. 28. Pastor L. B. Lewis is President of the Modesto Ministerial Association. In conjunction with a simultaneous evangelistic emphasis in the city George Branch of San Diego ministered at Bethel.

MODESTO --

Central Assembly reports more than twenty have been saved, reclaimed, baptised in the Holy Spirit or refilled during the past month. Ten were baptised in water. The pastor is C. H. Nickleson.

OAKLAND --

Calvary Temple heard D-Cap Walt Boring Feb. 28. Evangelist Bill McPherson held meetings in March. Oliver Foth is the pastor.

RENO, NEV. --

Assembly of God young people are being activated. A time of fellowship began with 25 present. This is to continue on a monthly basis. A Missionette group was also started. The pastor is B. H. Givens.

RICHMOND --

Central's new associate pastor is Eddie Kramer who after 9 years of active evangelistic ministry is now with Pastor Russell Griffin.

RICHMOND --

Full Gospel Temple held their annual missionary convention Mar. 6-14. It was called Global Conquest and climaxed with a united rally with 8 churches and 24 missionaries participating. J. Boyd Wolverton is pastor.

ROSEVILLE --

First Assembly enjoyed the ministry of Paul Cantelon in February. Inez Kreiss was guest speaker Feb. 23 and Evangelist Jimmy Brown Mar. 6. The pastor is Robert Pirtle.

SACRAMENTO --

Bethany Assembly heard the Bill Raber Evangelistic Team Feb. 16-28. Frank Mapes is pastor.

SACRAMENTO --

Bethel Temple enjoyed the ministry of Evangelist Robert and Lillian Watters in February. Mrs. Alpha Henson spent the month ministering in the South. Clyde Henson is pastor.

SALINAS --

Alisal Assembly enjoyed the ministry of Evangelist Glynn Hall of Waxahachie, Texas in February. The pastor is Joe Wright.

SALINAS --

Calvary Assembly was host to the Coast Counties Fellowship Meeting

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MINISTERIAL CHANGES

CHURCH

Carson City
Ferndale
Sierra, Indian
Susanville
Willow Creek

TRANSFERRED IN:

Herbert W. Brown (O)
Merle E. Edwards (O)
Leland B. Good (O)
Duane Trulin (O)
Richard D. Wood (O)
Anna M. Beard (L)
Elizabeth Beckett (L)
Bonnie Brown (L)

TRANSFERRED OUT:

Ronald W. Hastie (L)

OUT-GOING

H. G. Rannells
Fred C. Howe
Pauline Nelson
C. Donald North
Carl Bowles

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Northwest
So. Calif.
Arizona
So. Missouri
Oregon

TO:

So. Missouri

IN-COMING

Dwight A. Burchett
H. J. Snelgrove
Aifred Elgin
Eugene G. Slape
Fred C. Howe



Nat. W.M.C. Day Successful at Stockton Calvary

A great high-light in Calvary Tabernacle was the National WMC Day. The theme, *So Send I You* was carried out in the decorations, having large red lighted candles against a white background and a large black Bible as the central point.

The service opened with a ladies trio singing *Send the Light* as a procession proceeded down the aisle. The processional was headed by the pastor, Mrs. Leonard Rogers, and Missionary Ben Wilson, followed by the WMC officers and women, each hav-

ing lighted candles.

A poem was then read and dedicated to the local WMC by Sister Fufam, a skit was portrayed and Rev. Ben Wilson from Fairbanks, Alaska spoke also on the theme, *So Send I You*.

Calvary Tabernacle now has two active Missionary groups. The Senior

WMC group has elected as their officers;

President, Ruth Gradle

Vice-President, Margie Sherril

Secretary-Treasurer, Ruth Avey

The second group, which is called the Mary and Martha group, has elected as their officers;

President, May Thollander

Vice-President, Kathy Keller

Secretary-Treasurer, Nadine Stephenson.

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Officers present at the National WMC Day activities were Mrs. Medora Rogers, May Thollander, president of the Mary and Martha group, Nadine Stephenson, secretary-treasurer of the Mary and Martha group, Ruth Crandall, president, Ruth Avey, secretary-treasurer, Margie Sherril, vice president, and Rev. Leonard Rogers, pastor.



The theme *So Send I you* was carried out in the decorations.

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MISSIONARIES

ABROAD

CENTRAL AFRICA —

Paul and Miriam Wright, Nyasaland, write of a joint Christmas observance with the Williams and Jones families. The following day the others returned to their stations for Christmas with the natives. The Wrights and Bro. Williams have been to Mzimba to assist the Harry Downeys in a week of evangelistic meetings. The town was canvassed during the day and services held each evening. Some well educated men have been saved and filled. On the last day of



Nyasaland Press

the meetings the church was dedicated. Pray for the speedy arrival of some newly appointed missionaries to help the overburdened Wrights. Though this is to be a serious year politically there is a great spiritual hunger.

CENTRAL AMERICA —

Paul and Ileen Cooper, Honduras, report 12 received the Holy Spirit during January in Santa Rita. Due to the raise in living costs the Foreign Missions Department has approved an additional \$30 a month for the Coopers. However this must be pledged support or it is not sent. Because of the growth of the work, travel expense has increased and has to be taken from the food budget as there is no extra allowed for travel. Designate offerings, Paul Cooper Support or Extra Travel.

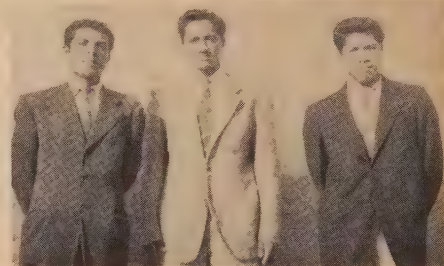
CENTRAL AMERICA —

Arthur and Janie Lindvall, San Salvador, write of the opportunity they are having in reaching the middle and upper classes through the medium of television. All of El Salvador and parts of Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Costa Rica are being reached. This is the only way this par-

ticular group can be given the gospel. Pray for this effort. Offerings sent to the Missions Department marked "Special El Salvador Television" will be appreciated.

MEXICO —

John and Elsie Peck are encouraged with the response they have received



Three of the fine students
in need of support.

when showing gospel films. Bro. Peck has been elected president of the Men's Fellowship. David Tolloway, recent graduate of Bethany Bible College is working with the Pecks. Money for student support is appreciated.

SOUTH AFRICA —

Lewis and Lenore Wilson, Transvaal, reported the enrollment at the South African Training School, for the new semester, is 87 with a likelihood of being 100 for the school year. Lenore is also teaching and two native teachers have been added to the staff. Recently two pastors from a white South African Church visited the Wilsons and pledged moral and financial support for the school. Pray for the future of this school as the location must be changed.

CHINA —

The Riley Kaufmans are back on the field. Due to a change in plans at the Far East Broadcasting Company they will be living in Hong Kong rather than Okinawa. Riley will serve as program director for the new station, KSBV, on Okinawa. Contrary to earlier reports there was no damage to the F.E.B.C. equipment from the typhoon which hit Okinawa. The Kaufmans have expressed appreciation for the support of the people of the District. Radio is now the only means by which the gospel may still reach Communist China.



Sunday School Department

DAVE COLBERT, Director



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1959 Statistics

The following is a listing of national statistics compiled from the 1959 Checkup returns. We want to thank you for your co-operation in returning your Checkups.

Total number of schools	7,979
Number reporting	6,803
Number of 100% districts	25
Awards Issued	
Gold Crown	1,163
Silver Crown	1,080
Blue Crown	988
Co-operative	3,572
Gold Seal	592
Sunday school enrollment	893,648
Average enroll'mt. per school ..	112
Enrollment increase during year	28,625
Average attendance	646,299
Average attend. per school	81
Increase in average attendance for the year	22,859
Officers and teachers	103,727
Average officers and teachers per school	13
Increase in officers and teachers for the year	10,211
Souls won to Christ during the year	79,790
Average number of conversions per school	10

Our Checkup returns this year indicate that 85% of our schools reported.

Not included in the above report are the following estimates for Assemblies of God *Foreign Branch* Sunday schools in the United States.

Number of Sunday schools	523
Sunday school enrollment	57,530
Average attendance	41,840
Number of teachers and officers	6,276

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National Sunday School Dept.
February, 1960.

offering to help lift the financial burden of the coming convention. If each school gives the equivalent of 5 cents per enrolled member, the 1960 International can meet its financial obligations even before the convention begins.

This plan will eliminate undesirable strong appeals during the convention and lessen the financial burden upon convention delegates. All churches are encouraged to participate in this special effort by receiving an offering.

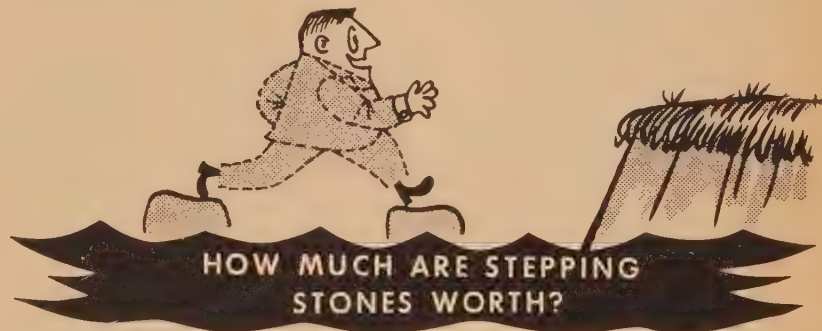
Send your offering to the district office. It will then be forwarded to Springfield for convention purposes and your church will receive credit for denominational giving. So little can mean so much if each church will co-operate in this way — don't forget this special offering!

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Boys and girls need an outlet for their summer energy! Why not use VBS to channel that energy toward an eternal goal? Vacation Bible School provides a wonderful opportunity to teach boys and girls about God and His love. The 1960 VBS course, "WAGONS HO! On the Christian Trail," presents a spiritual parallel to stories of the pioneers who traveled on the Oregon Trail.

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- ☐ Set the VBS date
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- ☐ Organize prayer bands



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MISSIONARIES AT HOME

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DEMETRUS, PAUL —

Brother Demetrus is making plans to go soon to Europe to minister in Czechoslovakia and neighboring countries.

ERICKSON, WALTER —

Brother Erickson will participate in a missionary convention in Marysville in May.

GRIFFIN, H. L. and ESTHER —

A recent letter from Brother and Sister Griffin informs us that Mr. Griffin has been steadily improving in health. They desire a continued interest in our prayers that God may give complete health and also guide them in His will for the future.

ISENSEE, MRS. ELSIE —

Sister Elsie Isensee attended a portion of our District Council after which she participated in the united Bay Area missionary convention. She is now the head of the Correspondence School for the Latin American Branch of the Missionary Department in Springfield, Mo.

KREISS, MISS INEZ —

Sister Kreiss will itinerate in the Lassen-Plumas and Contra Costa sections in April and will also participate in the Oakland, Calvary, missionary convention. She is planning to remain in the homeland until fall.

LEHMANN, HAROLD —

The Harold Lehmanns have moved into Pacific Mission Villa. They are participating in several missionary conventions.

LUCE, MAURICE —

Brother Luce's engagements include missionary conventions in Watsonville, Pajaro and Sacramento, Bethel.

NILSEN, JOSEPH —

Brother and Sister Nilsen were among the missionaries present at the District Council missionary service.

PIPIN, PAUL —

Brother Pipin is very ably presenting the challenge of the radio ministry in Japan wherever he ministers.

RENFROE, ROBERT —

The Renfroes are participating in

a number of missionary conventions in the area.

SONDENO, FREDOLF —

Brother Sondeno will participate in the missionary convention at Glad Tidings in San Francisco and will also itinerate in the Peninsula section the latter part of April and first of May.

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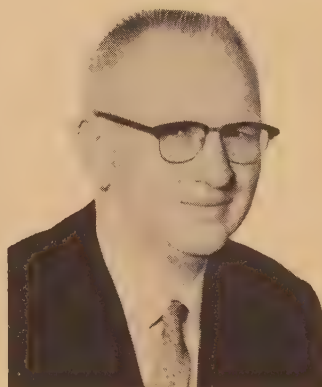
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The Fellowship of Giving

by Bill Austin

CENTRAL VALLEY

The Bible does not represent Christian giving and the receiving or offerings as some sort of devilish invention to intrude upon spiritual matters and "grieve the Spirit." Nor is it represented as simply a necessary evil, but rather as a fellowship between God and the giver. In Phil. 4:15 Paul says, "No church had fellowship with me in the matter of giving and receiving, but ye only;" (R. V.). As Maclaren says, "It . . . beautifully suggests that as they had done to him (Paul) so God would do to them, and that their liberality was in a fashion a prophecy, because it was in some measure an imitation, of God's liberality."

The time is now at hand for a drive to be made for Speed-the-Light. And sometimes there is an inclination among some to resent and criticize the drives that are made in the services for money. But surely we are all aware that this is the specific purpose of these rallies. Nobody is coming up on our blind side. How many will be honest, along with me, and confess that the shriveling sensation that assails our souls when the money question is pushed too hard is motivated, not by the Holy Spirit, but by our own carnal selfishness.

It is not true that we must make a choice between a deeply spiritual service in which we listen with burning hearts to a message regarding the

pitiful plight of the heathen. And then after an offering purposely kept incidental so as not to grieve the Spirit (and distract our minds) we gather around the altar to bask in the sunshine of Divine blessing. Then we go home with full hearts and purses. Or, sad alternative, we hear this message. And then when we are all psychologically prepared to rush to the altar and shed a few tears over the heathen, somebody gets very mercenary minded, misses the leading of the Spirit, and makes a drive for money. And if anybody should tell me that I have missed the point; that the objection is not to giving but to the methods employed, my answer is that the cure is to be found, not in a change of the order of service, but in a change of our own personal attitude. Let us look at it not as a matter of having been put on the spot, or as having been forced into competition with some other church, (I feel it is our own fault if that happens) but rather in the light of God's Word as a blessed "fellowship of (our) giving and (the missionaries') receiving." Then we can lift hearts and hands in a glad fellowship with God, imbibing the spirit of His unbounded liberality every time a pledge is made. And when the time comes to pray we will find that the fellowship of giving will very beautifully and consistently be led on by

the Spirit Himself into a glad fellowship of prayer and praise.

The heart and the purse are operated by the same set of strings. They open and close together. Let us not tarnish our gifts with complaining and discontent. Let us not make the task of our brethren difficult. Surely we all have the same goal. And they would be thrilled if we would all enter in spontaneously to this fellowship of giving. Let us all be effectually stirred by the realization that our gifts will enable our missionary brethren to say, "I am filled, having received . . . the things that came from you, an odour of a sweet smell, (an odor of sweetness) a sacrifice acceptable, well-pleasing to God." Phil. 4:18 (R. V.)

YOUTH CAMP STANDARD



This seal, indicating a 100% grade for a youth camp on the National Youth Camp Standard, was issued to each of our youth camps in 1959 by the National Youth Camp Commission of the Assemblies of God.

This year, 1960, our camps will have the same high standards. We will have the many features that appeal so much to teen-agers. Sports, hiking, good food, good beds, first rate counselors and well chosen speakers. But our main goal for 1960 is to have a REVIVAL in every camp just like an old fashioned CAMP MEETING. Up-to-date modern teen-agers love the blessing of the Lord and with God's help we shall see a great youth revival in our camps this year. We shall all be praying for this from now until camp season.

1960 YOUTH CAMP C.A. SCHEDULE —

LAKE TAHOE (new camp)	June 27 - July 1	Speaker to be announced
July 11 - 17	Mt. Lassen Youth Camp	Ken Roper, speaker
July 17 - 22	Redwood Youth Camp	Bobby Hoskin, speaker
July 24 - 29	Bethany Park Youth Camp,	Eddie and Ruthie Washington speakers
August 7 - 12	Bass Lake Youth Camp	Ken Roper, speaker

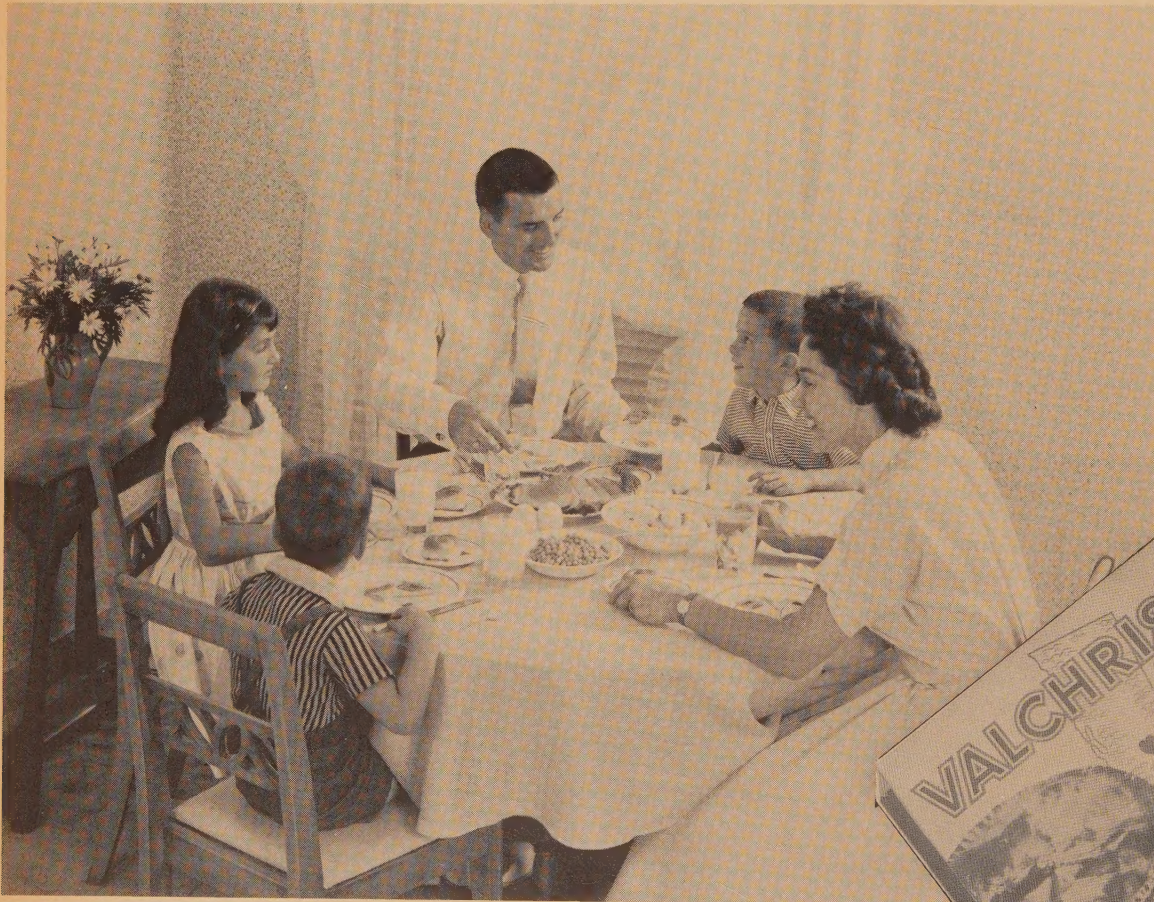
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Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and he shall direct thy paths.
Prov. 3:5-6.

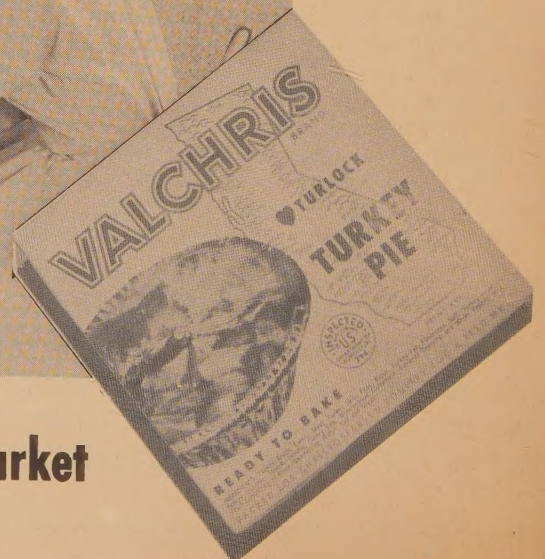


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Christofferson Poultry, Egg & Feed Market

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CALIFORNIA



Approval Given For New Book on Pentecost

The Executive Presidency of the Assemblies of God has given approval for the publication of a new history of the Pentecostal Movement. The volume was written by Dr. Klaude Kendrick, dean of Evangel College and President-elect of Southwestern Bible Institute. It is hoped the volume can be ready by the fall of 1960.

MISSIONARIES AT HOME (Cont GOOD, IELAND —

Brother Good has recently trans-

NEWS FROM CHURCHES — (Continued from Page 12)

Feb. 22. Evangelist Glynn Hall and Ed Cole were the speakers. Pastor Ray Oliver reports a good meeting with Evangelist Cole. Over one week end two were saved and two received the Holy Spirit.

SAN BRUNO —

Pastor A. I. Haun reports a special speaker, Paul Demutrus, representing the Far East Broadcasting Company, and showing the film "They Live Again." Pastor William Pickthorn of Palo Alto Christian Center ministered in San Bruno Feb. 21.

SAN FRANCISCO —

Glad Tidings Temple heard former General Superintendent Ralph M. Riggs Feb. 21. On Feb. 28 Bethany Bible College Choir brought special music and Director of Music Forrest Beiser was speaker. Evangelist Robert Fierro held meetings in March. Floyd Thomas is pastor.

SAN JOSE —

Calvary Temple heard guest speaker Ralph M. Riggs Feb. 19 and Evangelist O. E. Vaale held meetings during the first two weeks of March. Calvary Temple pastor T. Kermit Jeffrey taught a training class consisting of pastors and teachers of the Madera area in February. Co-operating pastors were Ardon Schmidt, Ira Barker, T. F. Lee and host pastor Bob Robertson.

SAN JOSE —

First Assembly called James C. Merwin in July and at their annual business meeting in January elected him for a three year term as pastor. The last quarter average in Sunday school was 156 with a high of 206. Fourteen new members have been added to the church. A new furnace and carpets have been installed. Souls have been saved.

SANTA ROSA —

Pastor Adrian Benning reports Fred Lindblad, field missionary for the Christian Home League, was speaker Feb. 14.

ferred back into this District after ministering for a time in Idaho, and is now recognized as one of our District missionaries. He and his family are making preparations to go to the field of Bolivia in the near future.

BELLMORE, JAMES —

After some delay the Bellmores left San Francisco on March 29 for Africa. This is their first term on the field. They expressed, as they left, their complete trust in God and deep appreciation for the prayer and support of their friends.

SUNNYVALE —

First Assembly heard Ralph M. Riggs on Feb. 17, Henry Marin, missionary to Italy, Feb. 7 and J. G. Hall, Bible teacher, held services 21-28 of the same month. Glenora McMillan taught the course "The Church Begins" in March. Ralph Hillegas is pastor.

TEHAMA —

Pastor Ed Byram reports a revival with James McBride of Live Oak. Good messages, crowds and results.

TULELAKE —

Evangelist James McBride held a three weeks meeting for Pastor L. A. Lawrence in February. Of the 46 who came to the altar all but 5 were in their late teens or early twenties. The last week showed an average of 80 out each night. The Sunday school went from 70 to 130.

TURLOCK —

Pastor Robert Carrington reports a two-week meeting with Evangelist Eric M. Johnson recently. He states this meeting was one of the best.

UNION CITY —

Evangelist J. E. Reddick held a revival with Pastor R. E. Hawkins Feb. 2-14. Sixteen came for salvation, twenty-five received the Holy Spirit, 7 baptised in water, 22 joined the church and an offering of \$1075 was received for the purchase of church property.

VALLEJO —

First Assembly enjoyed the ministry of Dr. Gene Scott during the Bible Training Conference in February. Pastor W. E. Scott was guest speaker Feb. 21. A missionary convention was conducted Mar. 6-14. Missionaries participating in conventions in Hayward and Richmond alternated in the services. Paul Trulin is pastor.

WOODLAND —

Pastor R. A. Wilson, Jr. reports the Robert Renfroes, missionaries to Liberia, were guest speakers Feb. 28.

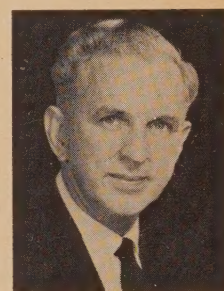
Evangelists . . . in Our District



ERIC M. JOHNSON

A long-time minister of our District, Eric Johnson, is presently engaged in evangelistic work here. He is probably best known for his many years of faithful missionary work. Brother Johnson has also founded and pastored several churches in Northern California.

The Lord has blessed him with a fine ministry of the Word. Souls have been saved and churches revived in many of his recent evangelistic efforts. Contact Brother Johnson at 240 Lake Hill Blvd., Bellevue, Washington.



W. T.
SCOTT

After having served 14 years in his pastorate at Oroville W. T. Scott is now beginning work on the evangelistic field. His work in Oroville speaks for his ability as a man of God. The work he started with ran about 33 each Sunday. It is now a flourishing congregation of well over 275. Brother Scott's preaching ministry indicates he will succeed as an evangelist. Write him at P. O. Box J, Canyon Dam, California.

Pastor Keetah Jones and the East Highland Assembly of Columbus, Georgia enjoyed the ministry of Alpha Henson of Sacramento in February.

Pastor Wesley Steelberg of North Hollywood had guest speakers Oswald J. Smith of the People's Church, Toronto, and Evangelist Robert Fierro recently. J. Robert Ashcroft of Central Bible Institute and Evangel College taught a Worker's Training Course in February for N. Hollywood.

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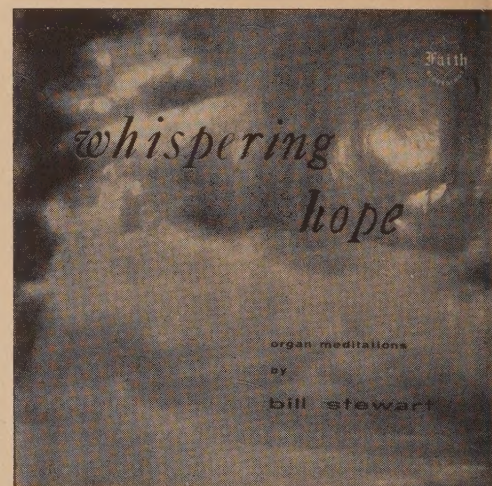
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